

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the TITLE OF THE INVENTION, beginning at page 1, line 2, with the following amended TITLE OF THE INVENTION.

Digital Device, Data Input-output Channel Control Method,
and Data Input-output Channel Control System

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 4, which starts with “On the other hand, the...” with the following amended paragraph.

On the other hand, the input node 200, on receiving the lock transaction information sent as above, updates the “channel number” area A24 and the “point-to-point connection counter” area A23 of the iPCR[0] of its node ~~100~~ 200, and then starts the MPEG type of data input (which is called MPEG input) according to the value of this iPCR[0] (Fig.20, Step S16 to S17).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 18, which starts with “For instance, in case where the...” with the following amended paragraph.

For instance, ~~in case where the digital audio device reproduces the audio data (audio stream) included in the MPEG stream that the digital TV 100 is receiving, specifically when it is necessary to permit the audio output adding to the MPEG output and the MPEG input, three physical plugs are required and at the same time the configuration of the bus interface must be changed~~ except for the condition shown in Fig. 22, in some cases, while MPEG stream data is being received by the digital TV 100, a digital audio device reproduces sound (audio stream) included in the MPEG stream. In such case, the digital TV 100 needs three physical plugs, that

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is, a physical plug for the audio output other than two physical plugs for MPEG output and the MPEG input, and the same time the configuration of the bus interface must be changed.